Dec. 5 2016 BSUFA Senate Minutes

**Present:** Brian Donovan, Jan Paul Kivi, Andy Hafs, Dennis Lunt, Ryan Sayer, Steve Carlson, Miriam Webber, Sachel Josefson, Tim Brockman, Eric Lund, Francois Neville, Samantha M. Jones, Patrick Donnay, Tim Goodwin, Donna Pawlowski, Sue Rickers, Christel Kippenhan, Katie Peterson, Keith Gora, Bill Joyce, Kenny Openshaw, Jason Fredrickson, Elizabeth Rave, Carolyn Townsend, Nancy Hall, Tiffany Hommes, Michael J. Murray, Tammy Bobrowsky, Debra Sea

**Guests:** Pete McDonnell

Called to order 4:05
Brian D. moved and Steve seconded to approve Nov Minutes. Carries.

**President’s Report**

Winter Party Dec 5 4-6 at Park House

Cost Study sent out by Doug Olney, please check since decisions are based on that information

Checking on Deans’, Avp’s, and Pres’ office hours.

Assessment of Deans, AVP, and Pres. We continue to press on this, process has been slow.

Bemidji Respect Movement: BSUFA EXEC (corrected from agenda) Brian moved support, seconded by Dennis. Motion carries.

**Officers’ Reports**

Negotiator’s: all members of a household listed as dependents, have gone over the delegate assembly resolutions. Meeting next week. Invited input into delegate assembly. Explanation of the contract negotiation process.

Carolyn Townsend—raised the issue of summer pay being too low, Tim Goodwin added with anecdote about Education; Murray responded explaining the monetary values. Brian D. noted that proposing resolutions for contract consideration one need not go to delegate assembly. Murray affirmed.

Treasurer’s Report—some faculty expressed to Hafs concern about how left overs are used at the end of the last party. Hafs reported that we try to be responsible in what we order and that Exec decided that everything would be distributed equally to those present at the end of the party.

Derek Webb entertained a motion to support this approach: Bill asked if it were possible not to have alcohol at these parties. Moved that alcohol not be served….Ryan seconded. Discussion: ?? asked if alcohol was served at the New Faculty reception, many noted it was when they were hired. Mike Murray noted that we are not out of line with other activities on campus. Steve defended the practice that it is a good gesture, non-alcoholic beverages are served, adult beverages at adult functions. Pat asked about storing for a few months, saving it would reduce
Old Business

Offlist References---still waiting for movement from administration. ??Bio said she was at one of the training sessions for searches and was told that they are not currently doing offlist checks. In answering Derek’s query about whether an offlist ref had actually been done, Dennis said it had, but it was an administrator.

Transfer Pathways—asking about issues we need to know about, is it going smoothly…mentioned the Pathways toolkit.

New Business

Mitchell-Hamline, Pat Donnay handed out stuff and things. Explained 3 plus 3 agreement. Any major or dept that wishes to participate may in this one. Blue sheet describes the basic agreement with Mitchell-Hamline; white sheet explains the first year of law classes, if questions ask Pat.

Rules—to add the Contingent Faculty committee. Motion carries

E Rave for IFO board; J Olson for 1 year board. Steve moved, Brian seconds, motion carries

Curriculum Report II moves approval of the listed 3. Christel moved to separate 6.e.iii from I and ii. Pat seconded. Motion carries. Mike asked if we table ii with iii what impact would it have. Donna noted that it would have no effect. Mike moved to table ii with iii. ??Bio seconded. Motion carries. Original motion carries re: i.

Academic computing: charter information tech svc advisory committee, campus wide, all university committee. Acad Comp has reviewed, thinks it is worth consideration. Suggests that faculty members on the new committee be vetted by Acad Comp comm. They also suggest a smaller committee than admin is proposing. Input into campus tech plan.

Jan asked about the paragraph “respectfully suggests”. Christel reminded us that she sent to ACC; does this committee circumvents….had some other comments. ?? moved and Christel to have the IFO representatives be made 2 rather than 1. Original committee motion as amended carries.

Pete M. also mentioned for ACC about issues of old desktops in classrooms, previous CIO found a cache of desktops and wanted them put into use, now ITS are asking if these desktops can be removed if they aren’t being used. Francois asked if we could take back to depts. And report back. Murray brought up the issue that adjuncts do not always have access to laptops. Christel mentioned things she uses to run software. Others wanted more information about what is specifically being talked about. Christel moved that we get more information about what computers are being referred to, an inventory and which classrooms, Andy seconded. Motion carries.
Back to Lib Ed to approve, Christel moves to bring off the table, seconded by…beardy, Carries. Lib Ed moves approval of Curriculum ii and iii. Brian D. notes that the transfer curriculum prohibits lib ed courses from vocational programs and may create issues in transfer. Christel says she was told that those exclusions no longer apply. Brian noted that Motion carries.

Motion to adjourn: Dennis and Paul Kivi seconded, ascent by feet.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Swain